India, which provide for field supervisors and senior clerk-cum-cashier;

(b) whether, despite, this NABARD has directed by its letter dated 8th April, '93 to the Chairman of RRBs not to follow the rules for promotion from Junior Cleric to Sr. Clerk and from Junior clerk/Sr. clerk to field Supervisor; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Pursuant to acceptance of the award of the National Industrial Tribunal (NIT) and the recommendations of Equation Committee granting pay scales of sponsor banks and other benefits to employees of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) with effect from 1-9-1987, the post of Field Supervisor has since been abolished. The posts of Junior clerks and Senior Clerks-cum-Cashier have also been merged and equated with the corresponding clerical post of the sponsoring public sector bank. In the background of these changes and pending amendment to the RRBs (Appointment and promotion of Officers and other employees) Rules, 1988, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) vide its circular dated 8th April, 1993, inter-alia, advised all the sponsor banks that no promotion can be effected for clerical to officer cadre. Since the post of Field Supervisor has been abolished, the question of promotion to this post does not arise.

मूल्यवृद्धि के कारण मुद्रास्फीति की दर में वृद्धि

3676. **डा० जितेन्द्र कुमार जैन :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 12 मई, 1993 के "हिन्दुस्तान टाइम्स" में "एडमिनिस्टर्ड प्राइस लीड टु वन थर्ड ऑफ इनफ्लेशन राइज" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि पिछले वित्तीय वर्ष, 1992-93 में सरकार द्वारा संचालित व्यवस्थाओं के अधीन उत्पादित वस्तुओं की कीमतों में खाद्य वस्तुओं और अन्य मानव निर्मित वस्तुओं की कीमतों की तुलना में अधिक वृद्धि हुई है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने इस्पात, कोयला, पैट्रोलियम, सीमेंट और विद्युत उत्पादन जैसे मूल उद्योगों के उत्पादों में मूल्य वृद्धि को अनुशासित करने के लिए कोई स्पष्ट निदेश जारी किये हैं जिससे कि यह सुनिश्चित हो सके की वर्तमान 1993-94 के वर्ष में देश में मुद्रा-स्फीति की दर निर्धारित लक्ष्य से अधिक न हो; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है।

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० अबरार अहमद) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) वर्ष के दौरान समूहों के मध्य सापेक्ष वृद्धि नीचे दर्शायी गई है :

	भारांश	31-7-93 के अनुसार थोक मूल्य में प्रतिशत वार्षिक वृद्धि
प्राथमिक वस्तुएं	32.30	1.83
ईंधन, विद्युत, बिजली और स्नेहक	10.66	18.78
विनिर्मित उत्पाद	57.04	6.00
सभी वस्तुएं	100.00	5.83

(ग) से (ङ) सरकार मूल्यों में घटबढ पर गहरी नजर रखती है और मूल्य वृद्धि को संतुलित करने के लिए उपयुक्त कदम उठाती है। प्रशासित मदों के मूल्य समय-समय पर, चयनात्मक रूप से उर्ध्वगामी समायोजित किए जाते हैं। जो अपरिहार्य लागत वृद्धियों को दर्शाते हैं तथा यह ध्यान रखा जाता है कि उद्योग प्रचालनों में सुधरी हुई कुशलता के माध्यम से अनुत्पादक लागत संघटकों की समाहित कर सके।

Prosecution against M/s ITC Ltd., Calcutta

3677. SHRIMATI MIR A DAS:

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 2840 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th August, 1992 and state;

(a) whether the prosecution against M/s. ITC Ltd., Calcutta has since been launched in the competent court in Calcutta and the concerned Collectors have been advised accordingly;

(b) if not, what are the reasons that prosecution has not been launched so far; and

(c) whether Government propose to deal with all the tax evaders in the same manner-? *

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Prosecution against M/s. ITC Ltd., Calcutta has not yet been launched in the competent court in Calcutta.

(b) Some complex issues are involved in the launching of prosecution against M/s. ITC, causing delay. One of the issues was whether prosecution is to be launched only against the Company or also against the officials of the Company. Another issue involved was the selection of the place from where prosecution was to be launched. Legal opinions were obtained initially from Special Public Prosecutors in different States and subsequently from Law Officers. The opinion received, inter alia, was prosecution can be launched against both the company, its Directors and Officers responsible for the commission of the offence. Further, it will be advisable to launch the prosecution at one place, namely, Calcutta. Advice was also received to the effect that it will not be possible to make one composite complaint for the entire period of 1-10-75 to 28-2-83; it has to be a yearwise break up of offences. Special Public Prosecutors were accordingly appointed to deal with the case including drafting of complaints. As the present addresses of the persons to be prosecuted have to be incorporated in the draft complaint, necessary verification had to be carried out with the help of field formations. Year-wise involvement of duty is being collected from the respective Collec-torates of Central Excise with reference to voluminous records.

(c) The Government deals with all tax evaders with necessary firmness and severity.

लम्बित वित्तीय मामले

3678. श्री वीरेन जे० शाह:
श्री राम जेठ मलानी :

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में दिसम्बर, 1992 तक उच्चतम न्यायालय, उच्च न्यायालयों और अधिकरणों में अनेकों वित्तीय विवाद निर्णय के लिए लम्बित पड़े हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि इन मामलों में अदालतों और अधिकरणों द्वारा स्थगनादेश आरम्भिक अवस्था में दे दिया गया है और इसके परिणामस्वरूप काफी मात्रा में धन-राशि रुकी पड़ी है;